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Remarks

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claim 1 has been amended and claims 1-12, 15-18 and 20-21 remain in the application.

Claim 1

Applicants' claim 1 has been amended to include a first circuit <u>having a power supply potential and</u> adapted to store a volatile logic value. The amended claim language is believed to properly address the Examiner's concerns for claim 1.

Conclusion

The foregoing is submitted as a full and complete response to the phone conversation with the Examiner on March 17, 2004, and it is submitted that claims 1-12, 15-18 and 20-21 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejection of claims is requested and the allowance of claims 1-12, 15-18 and 20-21 is earnestly solicited.

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If the Examiner believes that there are any informalities which can be corrected by an Examiner's amendment, a telephone call to the undersigned at (480) 552-1388 is respectfully solicited.

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